

**THE ROLE OF COVID-19 LOCKDOWN IN TEENAGE PREGNANCIES IN
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ABSTRACT

This research report was about the role of Covid-19 lockdown on teenage pregnancies in Namayemba Town Council in the period 2020-2022. The specific number is unknown but there was a great spike.

Data collection was through open and closed-ended questionnaires including focused group discussion.

Objective was to find out extent of teenage pregnancies; and to identify the group that was blameless. It was discovered that all categories of people, parents, teachers, business community peer and causal laborers were responsible.

It is recommended that more research should be made to find out how to stop dangers teenage girls face during lockdowns.

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CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the study

This research project was about the role of lockdown in teenage pregnancies in Namayemba Town Council, in Bugiri district. The period of study was 2020-2021. Namayemba is one of the small towns coming up in Bugiri. It is located along the highway 30 kilometers from Malaba/Busia to Kampala

It is a cosmopolitan town composed of mainly Basoga but other ethnic groups such as Jopadhola, Basamia, Bagisu, Bakene, Banyankole, Banyarwanda and Baganda and so on live in quite significant numbers. The main source of income is agriculture in which maize and rice are the major crops for cash and feeding.

Most people are farmers growing food crops such as maize, rice, finger millet, cassava and peas.

In Namayemba Town council parents love to send their children to school. Indeed many of the parents can afford boarding schools for their children in those good schools in Jinja, Kampala, tororo and Mbale. However, during the Covid-19 Lockdown most if not all the school going youth were at home staying with either parents or relatives within or outside Namayemba town.

The main point of interest however was that while the youth especially girls looked safe staying with these people there were quite strange happenings that most of them, especially primary school girls became pregnant in large and worrying numbers. From ordinary judgment it was noted that nearly every school had pregnancy or young marriage cases. In one school which cannot be named here six girls became pregnant in the period 2020-2021

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